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## Journey to Ankoria

Explore this dark and dangerous part of Knights' Kingdom!

## Dinosaurs on the Rampage

Exciting new Dino Attack board game!

## Meet Jesse James

The star of TV's Monster Garage talks LEGO bricks!

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# The Lost Kingdom of Ankoria

**F**ar from the Kingdom of Morcia lies Ankoria, a dark and dangerous land ruled by the evil Lord Vladek. It's up to the Knights of Morcia to capture Vladek's Dark Fortress and save their kingdom!

## Fireball Catapult - \$873

The borders of Ankoria is guarded by a legion of powerful fireball-throwing catapults. Fortunately, the knights have mighty Sir Santis to clear the way!

## Battle Wagon - \$874

Lord Vladek's armored battle wagons provide transportation for his Shadow Knight army. Can Sir Rescus avoid the wagon's roof-mounted catapult and keep his friends out of its prison cell?

## Scorpion Prison Cave - \$876

Sir Danju has been captured by Lord Vladek's Shadow Knights and imprisoned in the dreaded Scorpion Prison Cave. Brave Sir Jayko must get past the giant scorpion guard and save his fellow knight!



Vladek's Dark Fortress - 8877

With a mask of dark magic on its tallest tower, Lord Vladek's gigantic fortress rises high above Ankoria. The knights must get past its traps and fireballs before it's too late! Can they capture the fortress, or will Vladek reign supreme?

## King's Siege Tower - 9675

King Mathias leads his army into battle from the top of his royal siege tower. Armed with a sturdy battering ram and bridge, it may be the knights' only hope to capture the Dark Fortress!



# KNIGHTS Kingdom

The Kingdom of Mordia, a land of beauty, magic and adventure. Since Vladek's defeat, Mordia has enjoyed a time of peace and happiness.

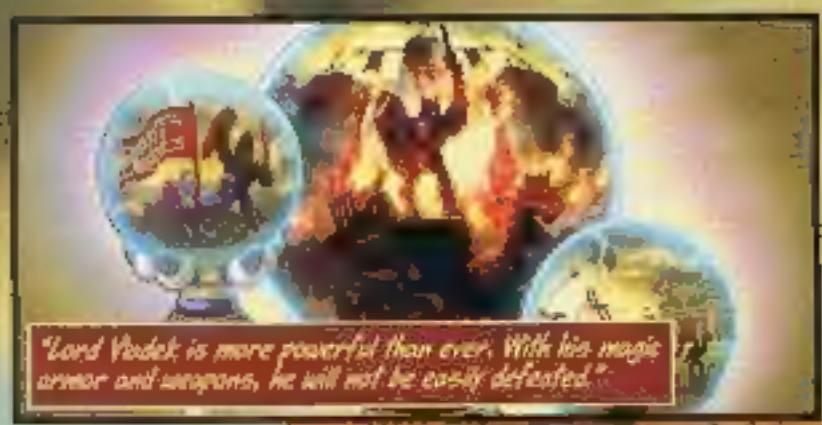
Knights of Mordia. Vladek has returned! He has built a mighty fortress in the Lost Kingdom of Ankoria and created a new army of Shadow Knights.



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# LEGO LAB R.A.T.S.

We asked our LEGO Lab R.A.T.S. team to build, rebuild and review the new BIONICLE Visorak! Here is some of what they had to say about the villainous spider creatures of Metru Nui:

"The pieces fit together very well. After I was done testing, I took it apart and rebuilt it as a scorpion-like creature. I would give it a 10 out of 10!"  
— Christopher Poole, CA

"My favorite parts are the spinners, which are fun to launch and have a neat spider piece on top of the canister. I also liked how you push down on the body to make the jaws close. I also tried building other creatures with the parts. My favorite was a monster that stood on its hind legs and used the jaws as claws."  
— Jason Schenck, PA

"The spinner is great! The disk can fly high and fast if you pull the cord quickly. Once the disk is shot, it's spinning so fast I couldn't even catch it! And I play basketball. The fastest my disk went was 2-3 of the way across my house."  
— Kieran Baack, CA



## Enter the "Build Your LEGO Room" Contest!

Ever wish you could have your own LEGO room, like the boy on Extreme Makeover: Home Edition? What would it look like? What would be in it? Build a model of what you think the perfect LEGO room would look like and you could win!

### Grand Prize

A LEGO oversized minifigure like the ones shown on Extreme Makeover: Home Edition, plus a LEGO set of your choice worth up to \$100!

### First-Place Prizes

A LEGO set of your choice worth up to \$100!

**Entries must be received by September 2nd, 2005!**

### How to Enter

1. Build a model of what you think your LEGO room would look like using pieces from your LEGO collection.
2. Take a color photo of your model. (Color photos and high-quality computer print outs accepted only. No Polaroids, please.)
3. Write a 100-word essay on what you would most like to have in your own LEGO room.
4. Send your photo and essay along with your name, age, complete mailing address and daytime phone to:

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Ever wonder how a crane works?  
Then let's take a closer look at  
my XXL Mobile Crane. But make sure  
you have a few minutes to spare  
— it's **HUGE!**



I use this hook to pick up heavy loads and move them around and up and down. The hook alone can weigh up to 4 tons (that's as much as an elephant) to help lift those heavy loads and to stop the chain from getting tangled.



The most important part of the crane that helps reach the top of the tallest building and lift the heaviest loads is called a "boom". Funny, because that's the sound you hear if it drops something! The XXL Mobile Crane's boom can be raised and lowered just like the real thing.



The weight can be lowered to raise and lower whatever is on the hook.



Brick view

No, this crane hasn't grown insect legs! These are outriggers, used to keep the crane from tipping over when it has a heavy load. I make sure they are extended before I go to work.



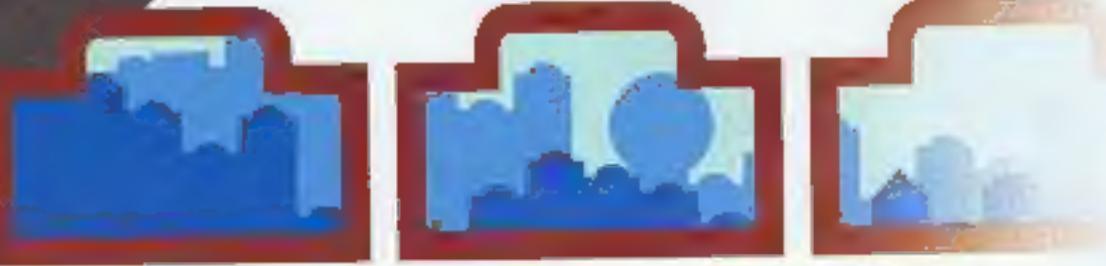
# Build the Future, Enter the LEGO® Brick to the Future: 2055 Building Challenge! Brick by Brick!



50 years ago, Town Plan, the first LEGO® play theme, was launched. To commemorate the 50th Anniversary of the LEGO System of Play, the LEGO Group is partnering with the National Trust for Historic Preservation to challenge you to build your vision of a town center 50 years from now, in the year 2055!

Fast forward 50 years and imagine: are the older buildings in your town still standing and why are they important? If buildings were renovated or changed over the years, what do the changes look like and why were they made? And, if you're breaking ground on new construction, what do the buildings of the future look like?

Create one building, a small cityscape or a replica of your town — history is in your hands as you design and build the future brick by brick! ■



## 1 Grand Prize winner receives:

- "Official LEGO Preservation Architect" designation
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- Two 2005 LEGO product collections — one to keep and one to donate to charity

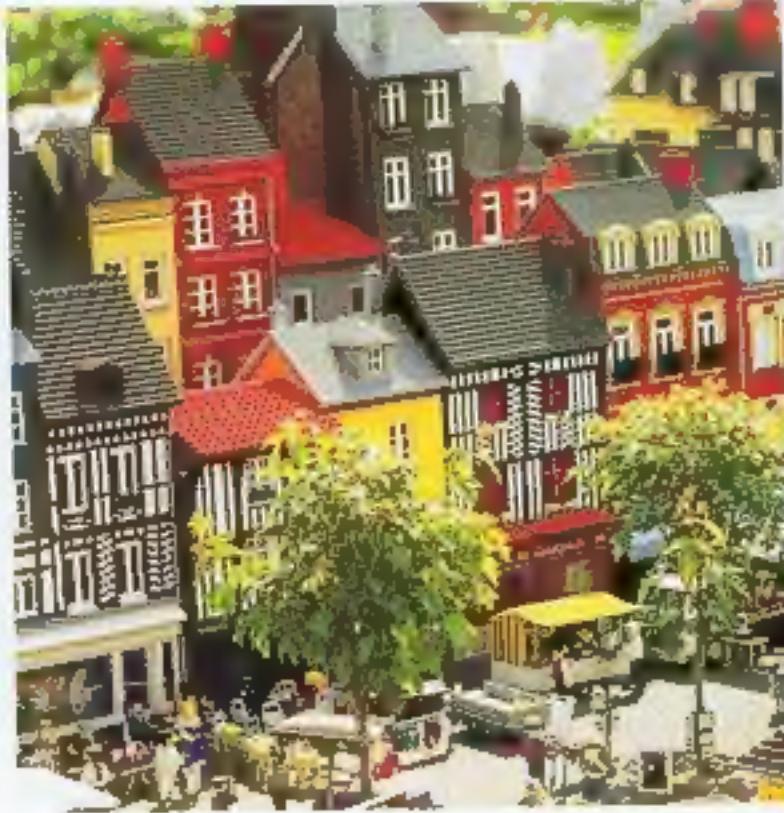
## 5 Finalists win:

- 3-day/2-night trip for four to LEGOLAND® California to participate in the Championship Build-Off
- \$200 spending money for Finalist

## 40 Semi-Finalists win:

- \$25 Gift Card for LEGO Shop-at-Home and/or LEGO Web Shop.

**How to Enter:** Build a LEGO model of what you imagine your town center will look like 50 years from now, in the year 2055. (Models must be built using only LEGO bricks and elements. Models using non-LEGO pieces will be disqualified). Take a photo of your model, complete and submit an entry form (details found online at [www.LEGO50th.com](http://www.LEGO50th.com)) and include a brief description (50 words for fewer) describing your submitted model. Be sure to visit [www.LEGO50th.com](http://www.LEGO50th.com) for complete contest details and requirements before submitting your entry. Open only to residents of the 50 United States, D.C. and Canada (excluding Quebec) who are 5 through 14 years of age as of 6/23/05. Void in Quebec and where prohibited. Entries must be received by 9/16/05.



# 50 years of building fun!

50 years ago, the LEGO® System of Play was born with a collection of 28 sets and 8 vehicles making up "Town Plan", a small village designed to teach children the rules of the road!

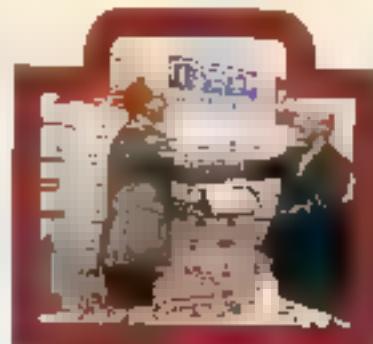


The National Trust for Historic Preservation, a group that preserves historic sites and re-builds communities, designated LEGO Town Plan "historic", recognizing its unique design and the history of creative inspiration LEGO building has provided to today's architects, innovators, creative leaders and preservationists. National Trust sites include Montpelier, the Virginia home of US Constitution father, James Madison, and architect Frank Lloyd Wright's home.

Kristen Kristensen (center-left), current LEGO Group owner and 5 years old when Town Plan launched. Today, the LEGO System of Play includes 3,500 pieces in 75 different colors, more than 100 models and hundreds of minifigures, creating endless building possibilities for all ages.

For more information on the 50th Anniversary of the LEGO System of Play, visit [www.LEGO50th.com](http://www.LEGO50th.com). To learn more about the National Trust for Historic Preservation, visit [www.nationaltrust.org](http://www.nationaltrust.org). ■

LEGO Group's Kristen Kristensen (below left) accepts special recognition of LEGO Town Plan as an historic site from Richard Moe, president of the National Trust.



LEGO Town Plan is now considered a historic site of the National Trust's original Town Plan, the LEGO Factory. A new project where you design your own creation, download, buy them and build them in the new Virtual LEGO Factory. August 2010, come and own LEGO Town Plan.

## HISTORY IN YOUR HANDS!



The National Trust for Historic Preservation celebrates and preserves historic architecture and design. Some popular architectural styles include:

Take a look around your town and see if you can find different architectural styles. Better yet, try to recreate historic architecture with your LEGO collection. Here are a few tips from the LEGO Master Builders:

LEGO Master Builder Erik Varszegi says, "To recreate the Prairie style, build low, horizontal buildings using LEGO plates for the roofs, staggering plates to create overhangs. For Neoclassical style, stack 2x2 bricks to create columns or use what we call 'headlight' bricks and 1x1 round plates to add trim detail. ■



This Town Hall interior, designed virtually by a fan in LEGO Factory, illustrates Neoclassical style.



A LEGO version of the Mark Twain House in Hartford, Connecticut, a great example of Queen Anne style.



Frank Lloyd Wright's Robie House, a Prairie-style residence on the University of Chicago campus, an example of his Prairie style.

### Neoclassical Style: 1785-1815

Introduced by Thomas Jefferson and became popular for public buildings like banks, courthouses and churches. The White House is the most famous example of Neoclassical style. Features: lots of columns, symmetrical design, stately exteriors with marble accents and details.

Most commonly found: Northeast US

### Queen Anne Style: 1880-1900

Emerged in England, combining classical ornament with medieval form.

Features: turrets, towers, gables and bays; brick or stone first floors, stucco or shingles on upper floors, huge chimneys, overhangs, porches and balconies.

Most commonly found: most major cities, including Philadelphia, Boston, San Francisco

### Prairie Style: 1900-1920

Developed by famed architect Frank Lloyd Wright to reflect the Midwest Prairie landscape.

Features: horizontal appearance, low-pitched roofs with overhanging eaves, open interior floor plans, walls of light-colored brick, stucco or wood, stained glass windows. Most commonly found: Illinois, Iowa and Wisconsin.

# Cool Creations



New York Venise

Christina Shaw, age 11



Colorful Empire State Building  
Daniel Monge, age 9, Gabrielle Monge, age 7, Jeffrey Monge, age 2

Rocky Wallcon, Timothy Carter, age 13



The White House

Jason Potter, age 14

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Dinosaur Museum: Daniel Matthews, age 12



LEGO Loungers: Kasey Juniper, Matthew Ventling, Alissa Nehring, Tanner Hull, Emily Lio, Macy Zeiler, Kyle Doering, Lauten Griggs



**Correction:** One LEGO Star Wars Video Game Contest winner was incorrectly identified in a previous issue. Correct name is Mark O'Shea.



Check out the official LEGO versions of the winning LEGO Factory contest models at [www.LEGOFactory.com](http://www.LEGOFactory.com). Plus find out how you could design a LEGO model sold around the world!

Got an awesome model of your own you would like to see in Cool Creations?

Send your photos to: Cool Creations:



P.O. Box 1308  
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Remember to include your name, age, address and the name of your model. No Polaroids please! Pictures will not be returned. So take an extra photo for yourself!

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# DINO ATTACK

The city is under attack by mutant dinobirds! To combat this menace, a team of heroes must assemble an awesome Pigeon Mobile. The T-Titanos! But

Can they do it before it's too late? Challenge a friend and see who can gather the parts needed to build this amazing machine. Hint: 

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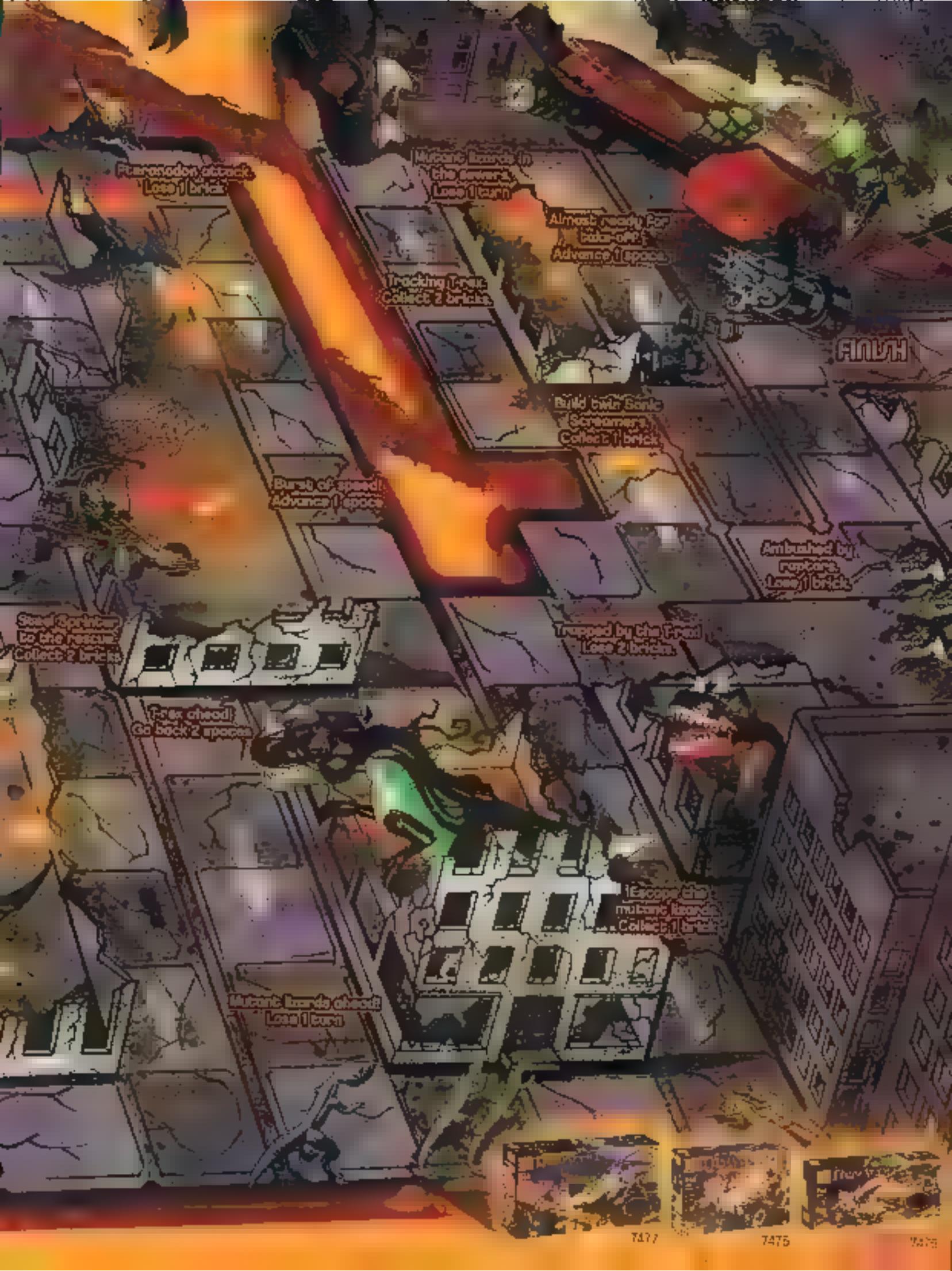
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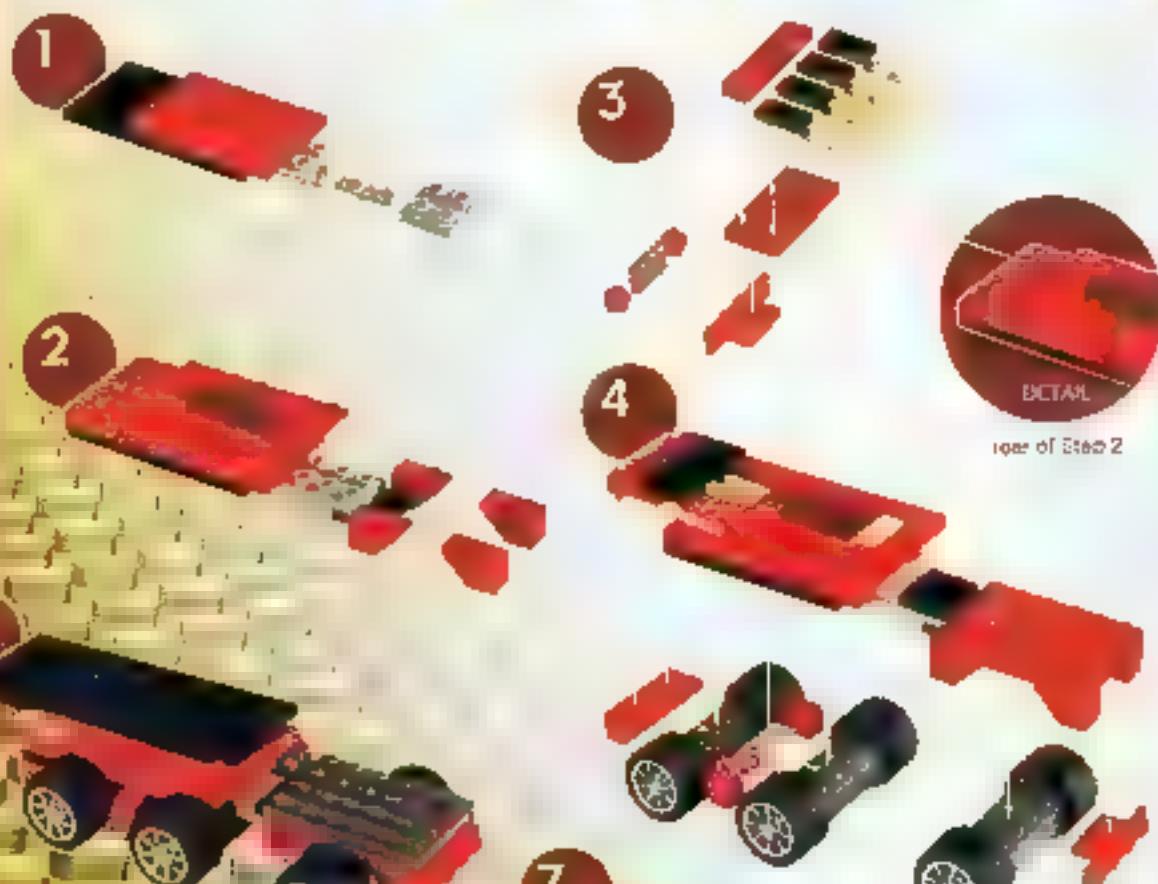


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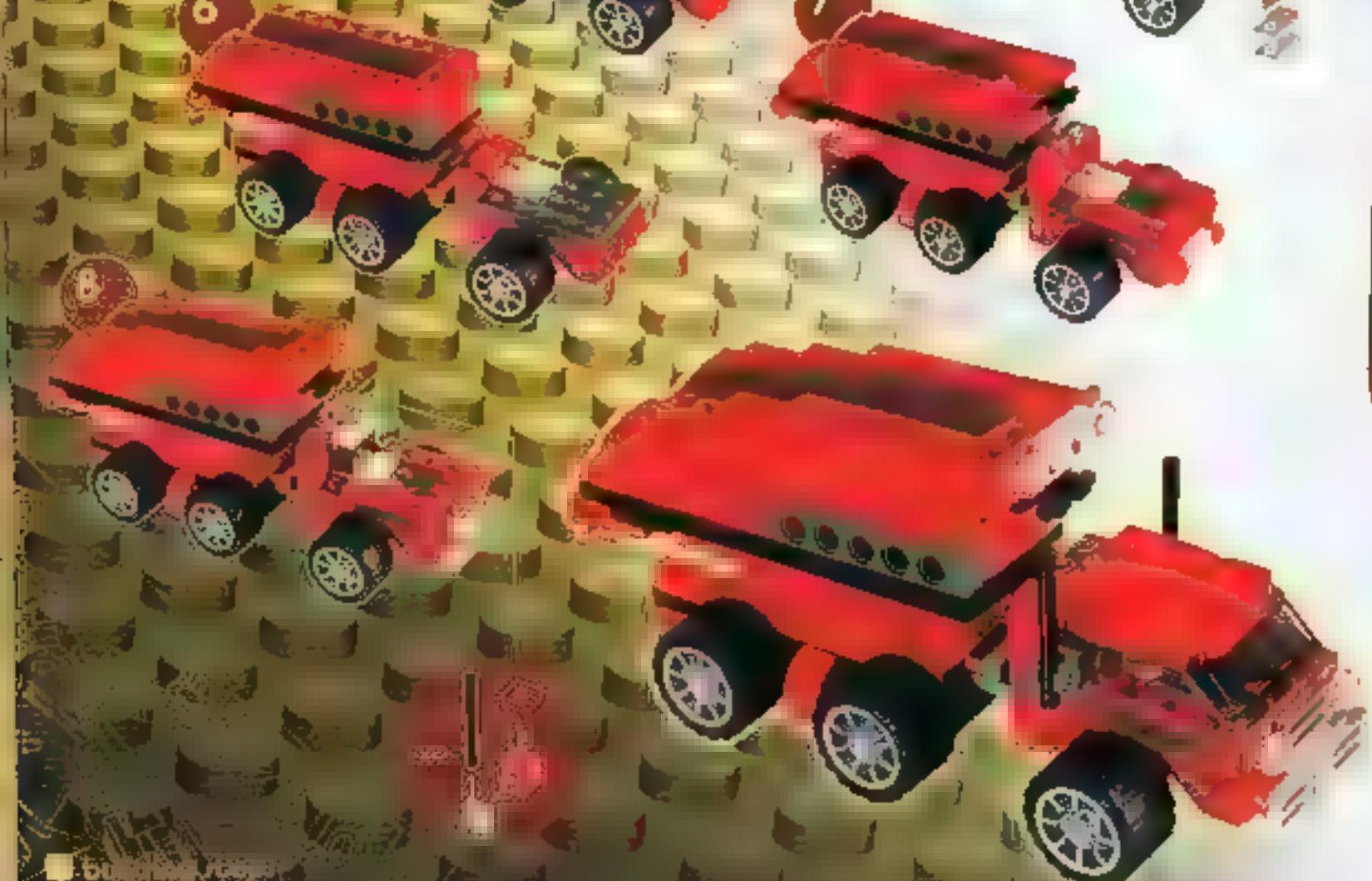
# POWER DUMPER

Having trouble coming up with ideas for your Power Dumper? Just load up the bucket, drive to the site, dump your bricks and start building. Features a bucket that you can raise or lower.

You can build the Power Dumper using pieces from LEGO City Sets or your own LEGO collection.



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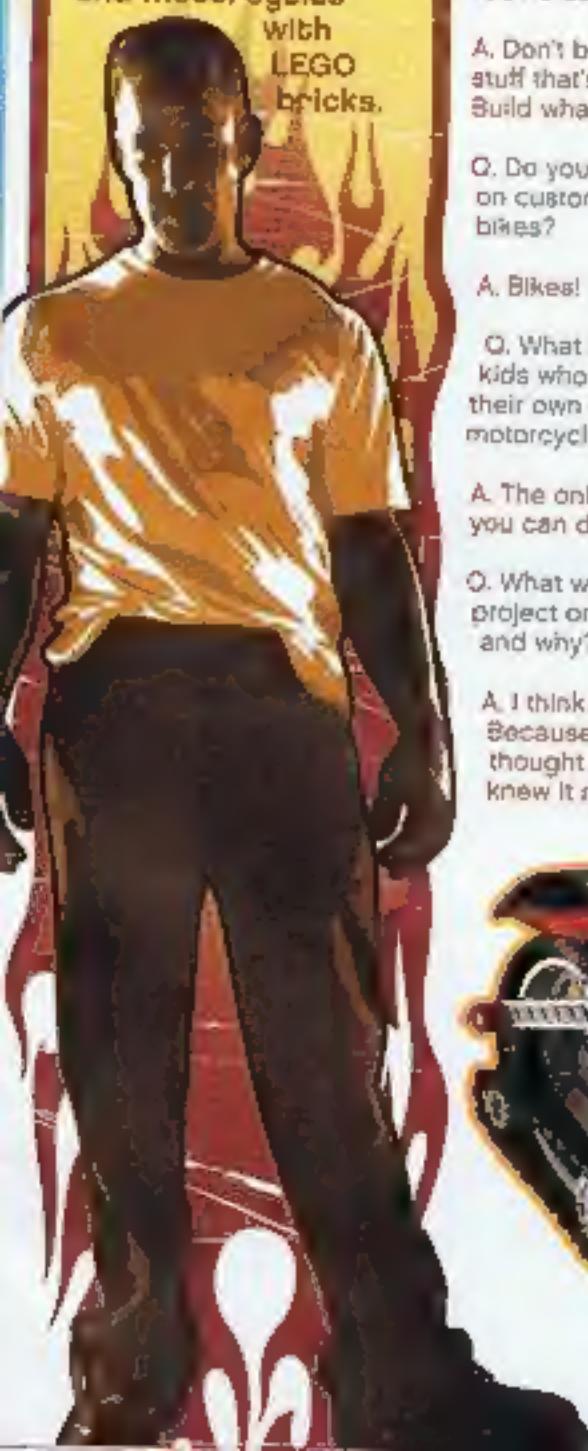


# LEGO® Hot Rod Building

## Advice from *Monster Garage*.

by Jeff James

The LEGO® Magazine caught up with custom-motorcycle builder Jesse James – star of the Discovery Channel's *Monster Garage* TV program – to ask a few questions about building cool cars and motorcycles with LEGO bricks.



Q. What sort of toys did you play with when you were a kid?

A. My parents were antique dealers so I had a lot of old Marx tin toys... and a bunch of LEGO® bricks.

Q. What advice would you give to a kid who wants to build the coolest LEGO hot rod he can?

A. Don't be afraid to build stuff that's not in the pictures. Build what's in your head.

Q. Do you prefer to work on custom cars or custom bikes?

A. Bikes!

Q. What advice would give kids who want to make their own real hot rods or motorcycles someday?

A. The only way to find out if you can do it or not is to try!

Q. What was your favorite project on *Monster Garage*, and why?

A. I think the Flying car! Because not one person thought I could do it... but I knew it might work!

Q. If you could design your own LEGO set, what would you want to make?

A. When I was a kid I was obsessed with LEGO bricks. I would lay on the floor for hours and build stuff. I didn't know that I would apply what I learned playing with LEGO bricks to what I do now. So I think we should make sets that encourage kids to use LEGO bricks to build skills that will carry them later in life. Like a hot rod shop set where you can build your own rod, or a chopper set, or a low-rider set. Instead of giving clear cut instructions on how to do it, we should have people use their imagination and creativity to come up with stuff on their own!

Q. How about jumps? Did you ever send a LEGO motorcycle over any ramps?

A. No. It was too small for me to ride!

Q. Would you consider a LEGO building challenge against either a kid LEGO Maniac or a LEGO Designer/Master Model Builder?

A. Let's make a real chopper out of LEGO bricks! I know I can do it! I'll ride it!

Q. Do you think playing with LEGO bricks fuelled your interest in tinkering in the monster garage to create custom choppers?

A. If it wasn't for LEGO bricks there would be no *Monster Garage*. ■

*"Don't be afraid to build stuff that's not in the pictures. Build what's in your head."*

— Jesse James

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